

PLATTSBURGH AIR FORCE BASE,  
SECURITY POLICE CENTRAL CONTROL BUILDING  
(Plattsburgh Air Force Base, Building No. 2841)  
Delaware Street  
Plattsburgh  
Clinton County  
New York

HAER No. NY-326-AE

PHOTOGRAPHS

WRITTEN HISTORICAL AND DESCRIPTIVE DATA

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**Location:** Delaware Street, Plattsburgh, Clinton County, New York.  
  
UTM: 18.621920.4946480  
Quad: Plattsburgh, NY-VT, 1:24,000 (1966)

**Date of Construction:** 1956

**Architect/Engineer:** Unknown

**Present Owner:** United States Air Force

**Present Use:** Vacant

**Significance:** Building No. 2841 is similar in construction and appearance to Buildings No. 2796, 2797, 2840, 2892, and 2893. As such, it was a building type readily adaptable to varied functions on Air Force bases. Moreover, the importance as the security command center for Plattsburgh AFB further enhanced the importance of this building to the overall Strategic Air Command Cold War mission.

**Project Information:** Building No. 2841 at Plattsburgh Air Force Base (AFB) is being documented in accordance with HAER standards to mitigate for the potential adverse effects of transferring deed of title to the property from federal ownership. The property transfer is a result of the disposal and reuse of Plattsburgh AFB, pursuant to the Defense Base Closure and Realignment Act of 1993. The mitigation is a stipulation of a Programmatic Agreement (PA) among the U.S. Air Force, the New York State Historic Preservation Officer, and the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation (October 2000).

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**Summary Description of Security Police Central Control Building (Building No. 2841)**

**Layout**

Building No. 2841 is a 5,376 square-foot, one-story, reinforced concrete building built atop a reinforced concrete foundation. The building is rectangular in plan and measures 48'-0" x 112'-0". It has a flat roof and is painted beige. Fenestration for this building is two-over-two, double-hung, wood sash windows occurring individually, in pairs, or in groups of threes and fours; the windows have precast concrete sills. Building No. 2841 has an offset on the south façade that appears to have been constructed ca. 1974.

**Alterations/Additions**

Other than the offset addition discussed above, Building No. 2841 has experienced few alterations or additions. The south facade has a few infilled windows.

**Function**

Building No. 2841 acted as the primary facility to oversee and manage all base security operations. Building No. 2841 provided 3,954 square-feet of Security Police central control space, and 1,422 square-feet of Security Police operations space. The Central Control Building included a central security control (CSC) facility that served as the primary command and control center for all security operations. The facility was situated for ready accessibility to restricted areas containing the highest security priority resources on the base. CSC was the focal point for management of the security force that protected the base. The building included an assembly/training room for arming, briefing, inspecting, and dispatching security personnel; communications; an air conditioned sensor annunciation center that housed communicator plotter and supervisory personnel; a secure room for the storage and maintenance of firearms, ammunition, communications, gear, and other security equipment.

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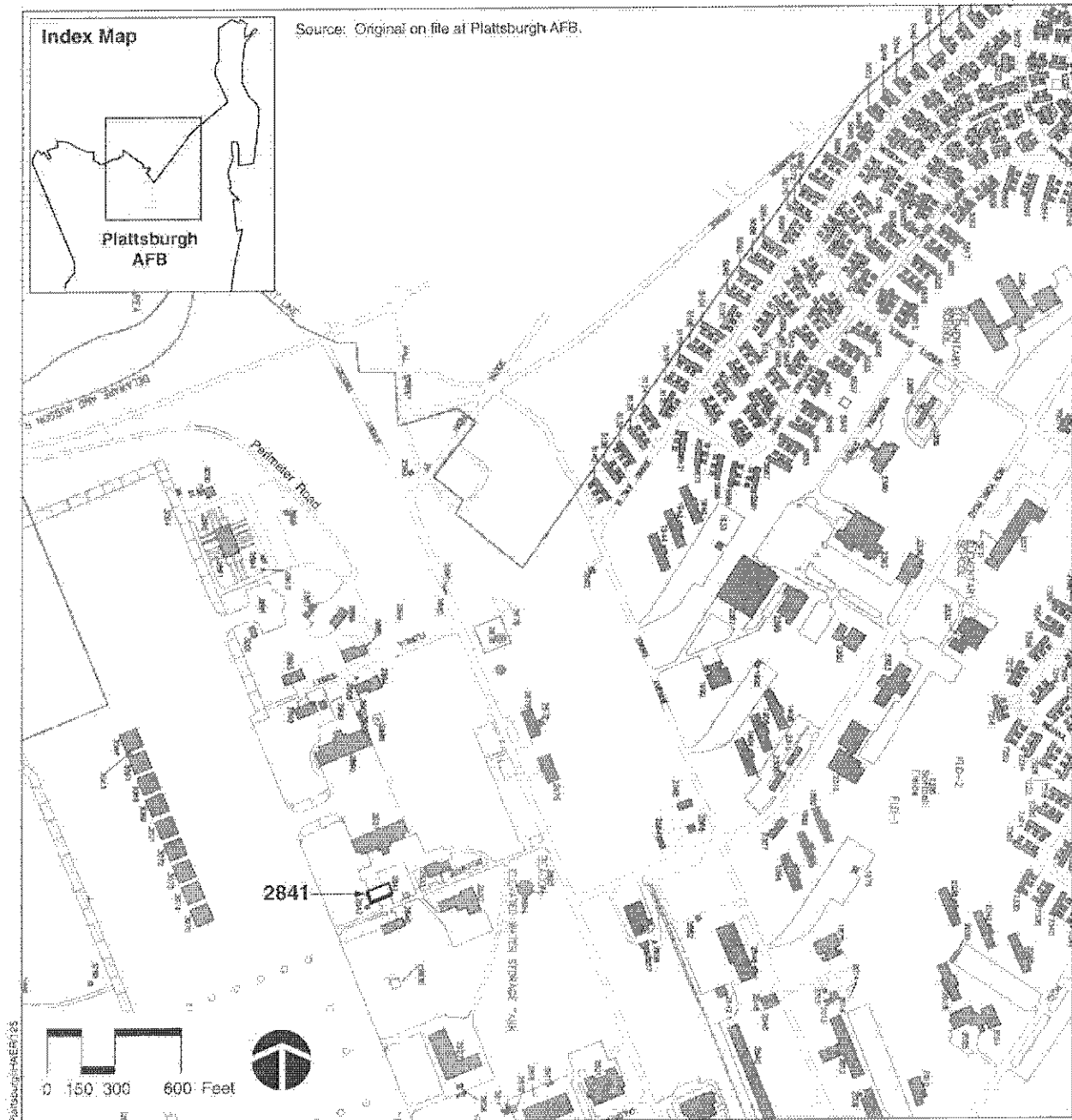
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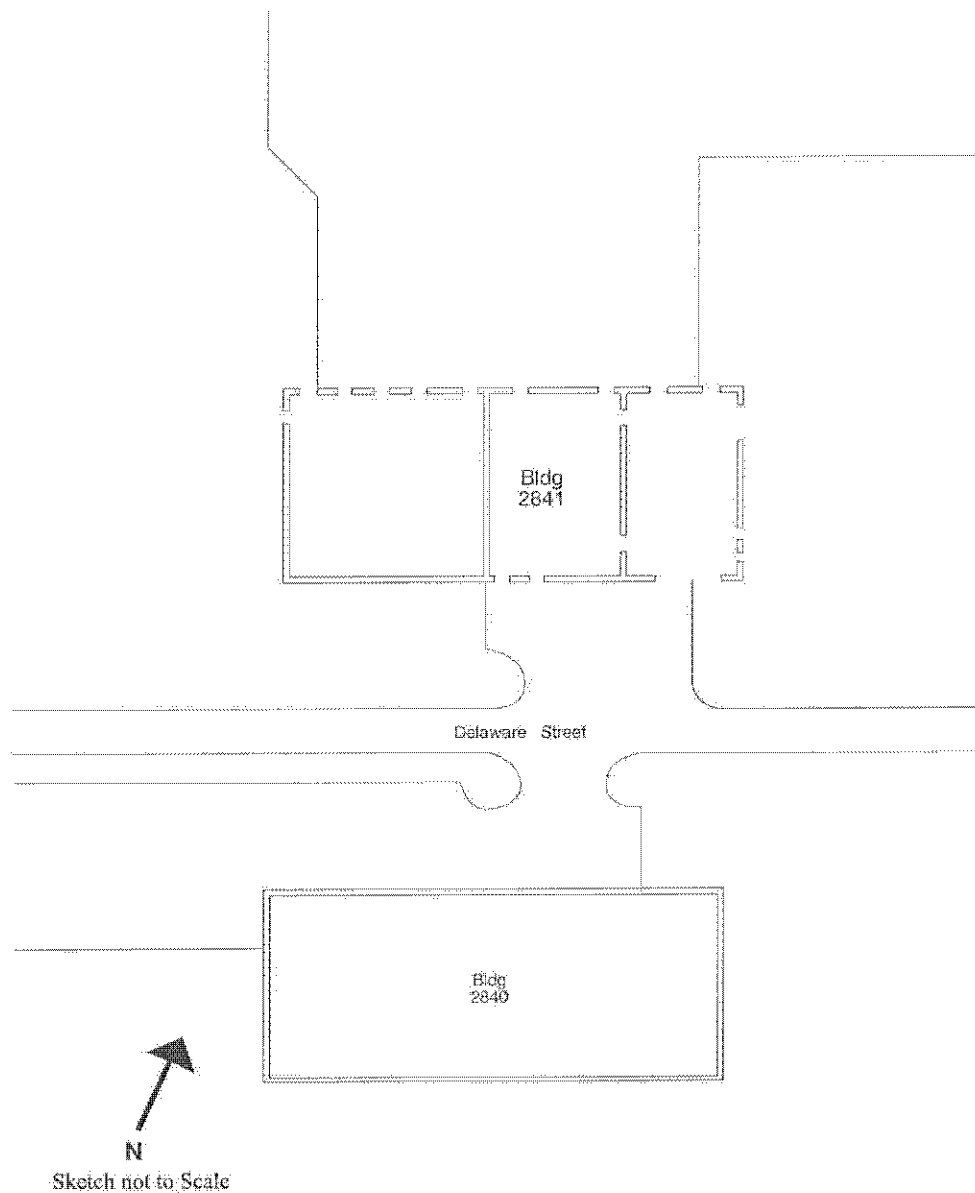
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